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SUBJECT: CALABRIAN

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1. IN ACCORDANCE INSTRUCTIONS PARA 2 REFTEL PWO WAS NOTIFIED BY
LETTER DATED JAN. 24, 1974, THAT OFFER OF CALTHAI FACILITIES TO

PWO CANNOT BE HELD OPEN INDEFINITELY AND THAT OFFER WOULD LAPSE
ON FEB. 15 IF PWO DOES NOT BY THAT DATE INDICATE FIRM INTENTION
TO CONSUMMATE THE SALE. LETTER STATED FURTHER THAT ABSENT FIRM
RESPONSE WE PROPOSE TO NEGOTIATE WITH OTHER POTENTIAL BUYERS OR
TAKE OTHER STEPS WE DEEM PRUDENT. PWO EXECUTIVE MEETING WAS HELD
WED., JAN 30, AND WE WERE ADVISED INFORMALLY ON THAT DATE BY STAFF
EMPLOYEE PWO THAT FINAL DECISION WAS NOT REACHED AND THAT WE WOULD
BE REQUESTED TO GRANT EXTENSION OF TIME TO FEB. 28 FOR FINAL
DECISION, TO GIVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO PROJECT MANAGER FOR CALTHAI
WHO IS ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF PWO TO REVIEW THE PACKAGE.
THEREAFTER ON FRIDAY, FEB. 8, AT 1600 HOURS WE RECEIVED LETTER FROM
MANAGING DIRECTOR PWO STATING THAT OUR LETTER DID NOT GIVE THEM
SUFFICIENT TIME TO MAKE FINAL DECISION AND REQUESTED EXTENSION
OF OFFER UNTIL FEB. 28.

2. MEANWHILE CALTHAI HAS RECEIVED FORMAL WRITTEN OFFER DATED
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FEB. 7 FROM THAI FIRM THROUGH RESPONSIBLE BROKER FOR PURCHASE

KHAO YAIKATA FOR 6 MILLION BAHT OF WHICH 3 MILLION BAHT WOULD BE CASH AND BALANCE 3 MILLION WHEN REMOVAL OF FACILITY COMPLETED. BUYER INTENDS DISMANTLE FACILITY AND MOVE IT TO THA RUA. REASON FOR PARTIAL PAYMENT ORALLY STATED TO BE TO ASSURE THAT BUYER IS ALLOWED TO REMOVE STRUCTURE FROM LANDLORD'S PROPERTY, NAMELY STATE RAILWAY OF THAILAND (SRT).FYI ALTHOUGH FORMER DIRECTORS CALTHAI NEGOTIATED A LEASE, NEW USG DIRECTORS HAVE NEVER EXECUTED THAT LEASE WITH SRT SINCE LEASE CONTAINED VOLUME GUARANTEE FOR MOVEMENT MAIZE TO BANGKOK. RENT STIPULATED IN DRAFT LEASE APPROX. 30,000 BAHT HAS BEEN PAID ANNUALLY BY CALTHAI. END FYI. PURCHASE OFFER STATED TO BE VALID UNTIL FEB. 18 AT 1630 BANGKOK TIME. CALTHAI REPLIED BY LETTER DATED FEB. 8 THAT COMPANY WOULD CONSIDER OFFER AND MADE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS: (A) SALE ON AS-IS-WHERE-IS BASIS; (B) CALTHAI WANTED FULL CASH PAYMENT AT TIME OF CONTRACT SIGNING; AND (C) CALTHAI WOULD SEEK OBTAIN ASSURANCE FROM SRT THAT WOULD GIVE BUYER FULL CONTROL OF PROPERTY AND ACCESS TO AND EGRESS FROM SIT UNTIL DISMANTLING AND REMOVAL COMPLETED. EXPECT BUYER RESPONSE OUR OBSERVATIONS BY COB FEB 12.

3. CALTHAI HAS RECEIVED TENTATIVE ORAL OFFERS FOR TWO OF SMALL SITES PRABART AND LUMNARI AT 600,000 BAHT EACH. QUERIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED ABOUT OTHERS BUT NO FIRM OFFERS RECEIVED. WE HAVE ASKED AND EXPECT WRITTEN OFFERS TO BE MADE SOONEST.

4. EFFORTS TO DATE CONCENTRATED ON TOTAL SALE ALL SITES TO PWO AS MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TO CALTHAI. NOW BELIEVE PWO INTERESTED IN SELECTED SITES AND IT MAY BE EASIER TO CONSUMMATE SUCH SALE WITH PERHAPS BETTER TERMS.

5. REQUEST BY COB FEB 13 BANGKOK TIME MAYS AUTHORIZE (1) SALE KHAO YAIKATA FOR SIX MILLION BAHT, LESS FIVE PERCENT BROKERS FEE. WE WILL WORK OUT BEST TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE POSSIBLE; AND (2) NOTWITHSTANDING PWO REQUEST FOR EXTENSION, NOTIFY PWO THAT EXCLUSIVE SALE ALL SITES LAPSES ON FEB 15 BUT THAT CALTHAI CONTINUES ANXIOUS CONCLUDE SALE OF SELECTED SITES TO PWO. FYI CALTHAI LETTER TO PWO STATED FIRM INTENTION TO BUY REQUIRED BY FEB 15 AND DID NOT MENTION POSSIBILITY OF EXTENSION OF DEADLINE DATE. END FYI.

6. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS RE PARA 3 REFTTEL.
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